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SUBJECT: VISIT TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY OF MARINOS YEROULANOS

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- 1. YEROULANOS VISITED EPA ON JUNE 21, WITH PROGRAM ESTABLISHED TO INCLUDE ITEMS INDICATED REF B. FOLLOWING OPENING DISCUSSION WITH DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR BLUM, HE SPENT THE DAY WITH EXPERTS ON ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS, LAND USE PLANNING, EFFLUENT GUIDELINES AND REGULATIONS, AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES.
- 2. WHILE VISIT WAS VERY USEFUL TO YEROULANOS AND MUCH

APPRECIATED BY HIM, IT WAS NOT USEFUL TO EPA, WHICH SOUGHT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TO DETERMINE POSSIBLE SUBJECTS FOR FUTURE MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL CONTACTS AND ACTIVITIES WITH GOG AGENCIES. YEROULANOS REFERRED WITH CLEAR UNHAPPINESS TO THE BURDEN OF THE ROLE WHICH HE HAS, AS INDICATED REF A PARA 6; EPA UNABLE TO ELICIT REASON FOR THIS UNHAPPINESS. IT SEEMS CLEAR THAT IF USEFUL CONTACTS ARE TO BE MADE AND FOLLOWED UP, USG WILL HAVE TO RELY ON EMBASSY TO IDENTIFY AND ASSIST IN THE ESTABLISHMENT

OF AGENCY-TO-AGENCY RELATIONSHIP ON SPECIFIC TOPICS. YEROULANOS IS CLEARLY NOT NOW PREPARED TO BE THE FOCAL POINT FOR THIS. HE IS VERY MUCH IN FAVOR OF US-GREEK COOPERATION, AND COULD BE COUNTED ON TO SUPPORT ANY EFFORTS WHICH ARE UNDERTAKEN.

3. US CCMS COORDINATOR PAUL VON WARD HAS BEEN ASKED TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ON GOG ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATION, ACTIVITIES, CAPABILITIES AND PRIORITY AREAS OF CONCERN DURING HIS FORTHCOMING VISIT TO ATHENS. THIS WILL BE USED

TO HELP IDENTIFY POSSIBILITIES FOR BILATERAL AND CCMS PROJECT ACTIVITIES. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY EFFORT TO PROVIDE SUCH INFORMATION. VANCE

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